



## NORTHEAST LICC REPORT (9/03)



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**Regional LICC status: September 12, 2003**

*Active LICCs: 10 representing 20 counties*

*Inactive LICCs: 1 representing 1 county*

*LICCs in development: 1*

**Primary Outcomes of LICCs:**

1. Public Awareness
2. Form committees to address activities
3. Early Identification
4. Provider Recruitment
5. Increase Agency Collaboration
6. Quality Assurance
7. Child Find

**Summary of activities and accomplishments: All LICCs continue to collaborate with their SPOE and receive monthly update of SPOE activities. Some LICCs did not meet during the summer.**

- Boone Co. – Planning outreach activities with local health care providers and have distributed First Steps packets to hospitals and clinics. They have encouraged an optometrist to enroll and anticipate the enrollment of an ophthalmologist. Still have need for audiologists, dietitians and developmental therapists.
- Cole/Osage/Miller Cos. – took a summer recess and reconvened to resume networking and be updated on SICC actions.
- Cooper/Howard – Planning a “doc walk” to distribute informational packets to physicians.
- Lincoln Co. – Have applied for grant to install billboard to prevent/educate about teen pregnancy; planning fall county wide parent fair; public awareness plan has been implemented.
- Marion/Shelby Cos. – Developing an up-to-date resource guide; working on a more significant membership status to coordinate activities; will continue to promote child find to help with easing any problems or concerns with First Steps.
- Northeast Area (7 counties) – Distributed flyers at WalMart and grocery stores and participated in Adair County Health Fair.
- Randolph Co. – Disseminating pamphlets and referral information to area physicians and PAT; working on Memorandum of Understanding with the SPOE.
- St. Charles Co. – Using committee structure to move forward with activities; planning provider forum to share information and bring issues to DESE; developing packets for legislators; planning transition meetings with local LEAs.

**Summary of identified needs or concerns:**

- Delay in timely referrals due to HIPPA regulations
- Difficulty in updating information on Provider Matrix
- Lack of providers
- Public awareness of First Steps services

- Limited funding and attendance at LICC meetings
- Multi-county LICCs have difficulty getting representation from all counties
- First Steps 800 number not being in service
- No way for system to monitor providers and matrix information

**Key points and significant information to provide SICC:**

1. Concern with data listed on county/SPOE reports
2. Inaccuracies on Matrix